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Regarding B2H:

As a direct descendant of many who came west over the old trails, I heartily oppose the current proposed 310 mile, multiple crossing, violation of the Oregon Trail in Eastern Oregon. I attended an OCTA meeting yesterday, and learned of that proposed plan. I could not believe Americans have become so callused so uncaring that such a plan would even be considered. Is there no longer any respect for our history? Are profits and money the Americans god now days?

Once those transmissions lines are in, sure to follow are the off the road enthusiasts, many who care nothing about that what they are destroying. (No not all.) Once destroyed those pristine sections of the trails will never be the same.

The project map shows an alternative blue route. Yes, at greater cost. But I strongly suggest it would be worth it. The Timber Canyon Alternative appears to be far less destructive. More so than what it now on the table. Every summer people come from the east and mid west, bringing their children to see and walk in the actual trails that they have learned about in school. That also brings tourist dollars.

My great grandparents followed the trails west in 1845 and 1852. Great great grandma, Jane Elkins Bonney, was among them in 1845. Jane was partially sculpted and her family killed by British led Indians near Boston at the beginning of the war of 1812. Jane was three at that time. In her thirties, pregnant with her 8th child, she became a part of the development of the west. I honor her memory every time I visit those trails.

I do not honor, however, those who care nothing for what our forefathers and mothers went through to help make Oregon what it has become.

Most Sincerely,  
Shirley J Evans